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CONTINUATION/DIVISIONAL APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Rule 53(b) Continuation or Divisional)

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This requests a ☒ Continuation or ☐ Divisional application under 37 CFR §1.53(b) of prior application:

Appl. No. 10/076,655

Group/Art Unit 1772

Filed on: February 19, 2002

Examiner: Holly C. Rickman

Entitled: PERPENDICULAR MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIA, MANUFACTURING PROCESS OF THE SAME, AND MAGNETIC STORAGE APPARATUS USING THE SAME

- ☒ 1. The entire disclosure of the pending, prior application is hereby incorporated by reference.
- ☐ 2. Submitted herewith is a copy of the complete prior application as filed.
- ☐ 3. This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior nonprovisional application, 37 CFR 1.53(b)(1). DELETE the following inventor(s): _____
- ☒ 4. Submitted herewith is a copy of the signed Oath/Declaration from the prior application.
- ☐ 5. Small entity status was established in the prior application, and is still proper and desired.
- ☐ 6. A _____ month Petition for Extension of Time is filed concurrently in the prior application.
- ☒ 7. The Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment and charge any deficiency in any fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and/or 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 08-1480.
- ☒ 8. A check in the amount of \$ 810.00 for filing and assignment fees is submitted herewith.
- ☒ 9. Insert before the first sentence of the specification: This application is a Continuation of U.S. nonprovisional application serial number 10/076,655 filed February 19, 2002.
- ☐ 10. Cancel in this application original claims _____ of prior application before calculating the filing fee.
- ☒ 11. The prior application is assigned of record to: Hitachi, Ltd.
- ☒ 12. Priority is claimed based on U.S. application no. 10/076,655 filed February 19, 2002, which claims the priority date of JP 2001-143637 filed May 14, 2001.
- ☒ 13. A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- ☒ 14. Other: Information Disclosure Statement

THE FILING FEE IS CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

Basic Fee: \$ 770.00

Total Claims:	2	-20 =	0	× \$18 =	0.00
Independent claims:	1	-3 =	0	× \$86 =	0.00

REED SMITH LLP

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Multiple Dependent Claim
(Add \$280.00): 0

Subtotal: 770.00

50% Reduction if Small Entity Status: 0

Total: 770.00

Date:

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March 3, 2004

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